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HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

February Meeting Minutes

DATE: February 28, 2017
TIME: 6:00 p.m.
PLACE: Howard County Health Department
8930 Stanford Blvd., Columbia, MD 21045

Members Present: Carlessia Hussein, Gary Stewart, Deborah Rivkin, Paul Nagy, Bob Sheesley, Darryl Burnett, Kevin Carlson, and Sue Song

Members Excused: Sheri Lewis,

Staff: Maura Rossman, Health Officer, Antigone Vickery, Deputy Health Officer

Guest: Vanda Lerdboom, Bureau of Health Promotions, HCHD

Topic/Agenda	Discussion	Action/Follow-up
Welcome and Introductions	Gary Stewart opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m.	
Approval of Minutes	Motion to accept January's minutes.	The motion to accept the January 17, 2017 minutes was approved unanimously.
New Business	<p>Discussion of CAREAPP – Presented by Vanda Lerdboom, MPH, Bureau of Health Promotions HCHD. A product also known as <i>Healthify</i>.</p> <p>The HCHD's version of Healthify is CAREAPP, Community Access to Resources through Enhanced technology Application for Provider & Public, has been in the development strategies for the last year.</p> <p>CAREAPP concept: The social determinants of health (SDOH) are the conditions in which people are born, grow, live & age. It is these conditions that act as forces that shape conditions of daily life, which in turn greatly impact health.</p> <p>CAREAPP unique features: (1) web-based risk assessment screening tool; (2) regularly updated, searchable community resource database; (3) electronic bi-directional referral tracking system. In total, the system allows one to identify clients' needs, to connect clients to resources more efficiently & effectively and will track the client referral process completely. This will enable providers and care givers the ability to assess individual & community needs for SDOH services, improve the ability to enhance care coordination between agencies, increase client and provider satisfaction with care coordination service, increase identification and understanding of unmet health and social needs in HC, with the long-term goal of reducing health care cost. Users can access to CAREAPP on Tablets, Computers or by Phone.</p> <p>Diagram of Government and Community Organizations which there are 33 that represent agencies in the County. Different organizations can use some or all of the features. Individual users within participating agencies will be assigned a Login and Password.</p>	Provide an update on this project in a couple of months.

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	<p>Key Product Features: Searchable Resource Director, Risk Assessment Screening Tool, Bi-directional referral Tracking, Data Analytics and Computer & Mobile compatibility.</p> <p>Questions raised included - What will be the Hospital's Roles? To decrease the number of clients going to other venues. Who owns Healthify? Is there another package that can work along with CAREAPP? How is the Cost determined? (Pilot Program – 1st & 2nd year NO COST).</p> <p>FEEDBACK: Included are other organizations that we have talked with</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Community is excited about this platform; - Training will take some time - Usage will determine the value as used - Concerns among participating agencies using duplicate tools - Ownership of data - Getting accurate data of resources - What MOU'S would be needed for all users to protect privacy 	<p>Provide an update on this project in a couple of months.</p> <p>We have a website you may review the presentation of the new community initiative at www.hccareapp.org</p>	
Old Business	<p>Health Officer Report:</p> <p><u>Detox Facility in Howard County</u> County Executive has given the Department the task to bring a Detox Center to Howard County. We have been researching this since December 2016. We have proposed a continuum care model to include a crisis stabilization center. We can discuss when we have more information next month. We would like to bring more community partners in for outpatient service. In terms of residential treatment with an attachment of crisis's utilization.</p> <p>The facility will need to get a Certificate of Need from Behavioral Health/Mental Health, which takes about 18 months. We will need a vendor and property – which we don't have either yet. For the property we will need the assistance of the County. The Department is scheduled to meet next week with County representatives to discuss potential size and location, also facility needs. Some technical assistance provided by DHMH.</p>	<p>Provide an update on this project in a couple of months.</p>	

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	<p><u>Needle Exchange Program</u></p> <p>It was shared in the last minutes that HCHD met with Baltimore City about establishing a Needle exchange program in Howard County. Fifty Howard County residents Participate in the Baltimore City program. DHMH is providing extra funding to Baltimore City to assist (or administer) the Needle Exchange program in Other jurisdictions for a regional approach. Everyone is on board to prevent HIV & Hepatitis C</p> <p>Concerns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Need a champion to bring it to the County - Maybe a mobile site (like in Baltimore) won't work as well; maybe fixed site better in HoCo - Residents go into the City to make purchases then bring back to Howard County - We are enabling them by giving out Syringes. 		
Other Business	<p>Suggested topics for next meeting will be: Bills in Annapolis regarding Opioids. Invite someone from Legislation to talk about Bills that impact the States Positive or Negative. CRISP Update.</p> <p>Next BOH meeting scheduled for March 28, 2017</p>	<p>Guest to Attend: Christopher Burt, MPH Student At Benedictine University – Assignment to attend a local Board of Health Meeting</p>	
Chairperson's Report	N/A		
Adjournment	<p><i>There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.</i></p>		

Next Board of Health Meeting: Tuesday, March 28, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at Howard Co. Health Department 8930 Stanford Blvd. 1st Floor, Columbia, MD 21045